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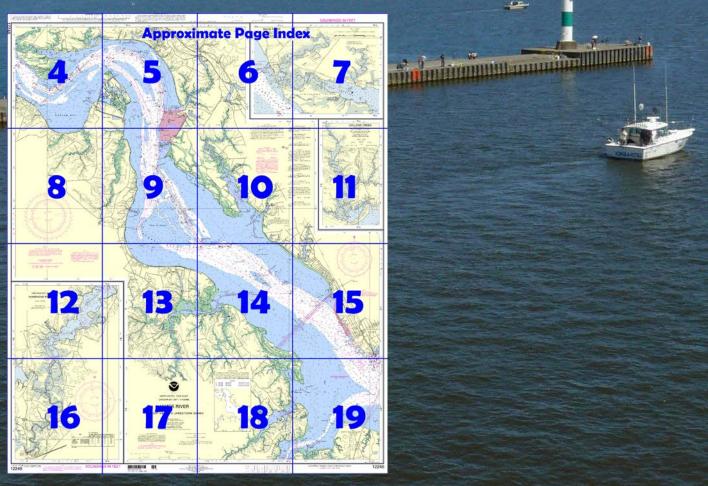


James River – Newport News to Jamestown Island NOAA Chart 12248

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What is a BookletChart[™]?

This BookletChart is made to help recreational boaters locate themselves on the water. It has been reduced in scale for convenience, but otherwise contains all the information of the full-scale nautical chart. The bar scales have also been reduced, and are accurate when used to measure distances in this BookletChart. See the Note at the bottom of page 5 for the reduction in scale applied to this chart.

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(Selected Excerpts from Coast Pilot)

James River. Drafts of vessels above Newport News do not exceed 15 feet. The James River provides depths of 25 feet to the Richmond Deepwater Terminal and in the Terminal Turning Basin; 18 feet to and in the Richmond Harbor Turning Basin; 18 feet to the Lock at Richmond.

The currents in River follow the channel except between Hog Island and Jamestown Island where they set across Goose Hill Flats. The places for **supplies** above Newport

News are Hopewell and Richmond.

A channel leads to Suffolk; centerline depth 9.8 feet to Daybeacon 26; 8 feet was to Suffolk.

The current is 0.9 knot and follows the direction of the channel. 2.2 miles southwestward of Pig Point, a channel marked by a seasonal light and daybeacons leads southward into **Bennett Creek**; the depth was 5½ feet in the entrance of the creek. The creek has deeper water inside to the highway bridge, which has a clearance of 20 feet. Gasoline is available below the bridge. From Pig Point to Hollidays Point Nansemond River leads between shoals that bare at low water. There are many fish stakes on the shoals near the mouth.

Great Shoal has an oyster bar that bares ½ foot at low water. The highway bridge at **Hollidays Point** has a clearance of 7 feet.

Western Branch; the depth was 5 feet in the north half and 6 feet in the south half of the channel for 0.7 mile above the mouth; a midchannel depth of 2½ feet to 0.8 mile above the branch entrance; a midchannel depth of 2 feet to the highway bridge Reids Ferry. The channel entrance is marked by daybeacons for 700 feet above the Nansemond River. A marina, 0.7 mile from the Nansemond channel, has a pier with a depth of 10 feet. Gasoline and diesel fuel are available.

The bridge at Suffolk has a clearance of 3½ feet.

Batten Bay has depths of 2 to 6 feet. **Ragged Island Creek** is little used. **Chuckatuck Creek** has depths of 4 feet in the approach and deeper water inside for 1.7 miles. The channel is marked by lights, buoys, and daybeacons; the channel edges are marked by bush stakes. A shipyard is at **Crittenden**; berths.

Pagan River; the depths were 7 feet from the entrance to Daybeacon 15, thence 3 feet (4 feet at midchannel) to Smithfield.

Jones Creek; the depth was 5½ feet (6 feet at midchannel); the highway bridge above the mouth has a clearance of 8 feet. A marina and fish pier are at **Rescue**; supplies, fuel, are available. The highway bridge, 2.5 miles above the mouth, has a clearance of 7 feet.

Cypress Creek has depths of 4 feet for 2 miles.

Smithfield. The highway bridge has a clearance of 15 feet. A bridge, with a clearance of 16 feet crosses the river 0.6 mile above the highway at Smithfield.

Deep Creek is an overnight anchorage. A marked channel leads from James River to a turning basin opposite Menchville; the depths were 5 feet (7½ feet at midchannel) from the entrance to the turning basin with 7½ feet in the basin

Dangers.—Numerous stakes, piling, wrecks, and other obstructions are on both sides of the main channel in James River.

Currents.—The currents in James River follow the general direction of the channel, except between Hog Island and Jamestown Island, 25 miles above the mouth, where they set across Goose Hill Flats. In the lower reaches, the velocity of flood is about equal to that of ebb. Near Richmond, the drainage flow predominates and the current seldom, if ever, sets upstream. These normal conditions are subject to change by wind and freshets.

During severe winters some drift **ice** appears, and at times the river freezes over, but navigation to Richmond hardly ever is suspended because the ice is broken up by a tug.

A **restricted area** is at the entrance to the Skiffes Creek channel. (See **334.280**, chapter 2, for limits and regulations.)

A privately marked barge channel with a reported depth of 12 feet in 1978 leads to the Surry Nuclear Power Plant on the west side of James River opposite Skiffes Creek. The nuclear powerplant is operated by the Virginia Electric and Power Co. A 120-foot-high nuclear reactor tower at the station is prominent from all directions on the river.

U.S. Coast Guard Rescue Coordination Center 24 hour Regional Contact for Emergencies

RCC Norfolk Commander

5th CG District (575) 398-6231 Norfolk, VA

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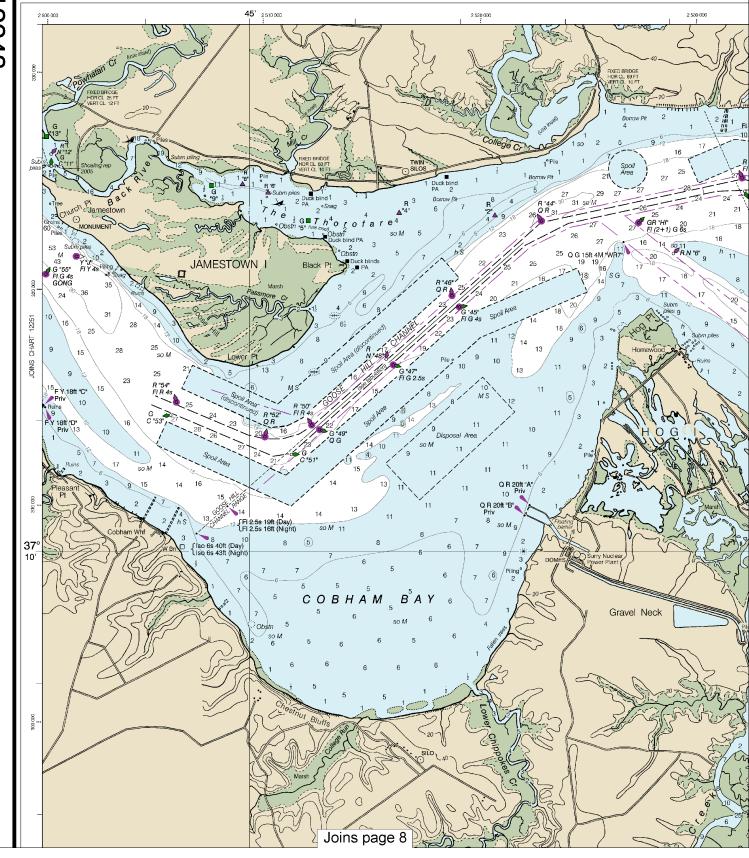
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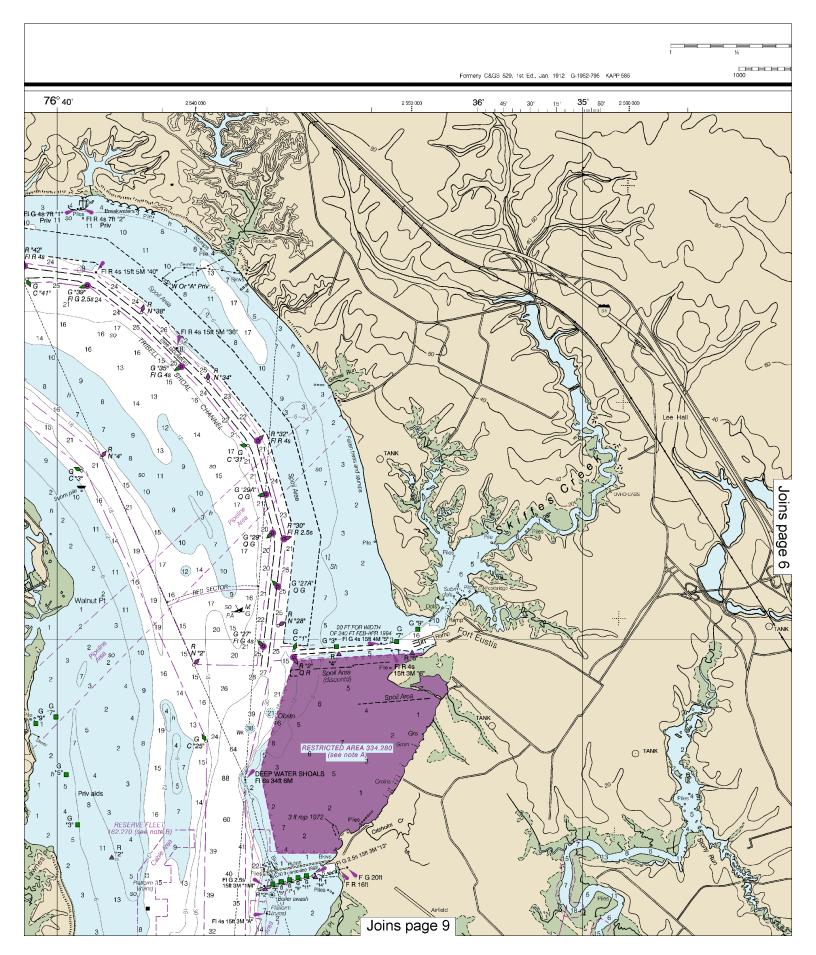
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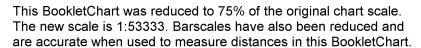
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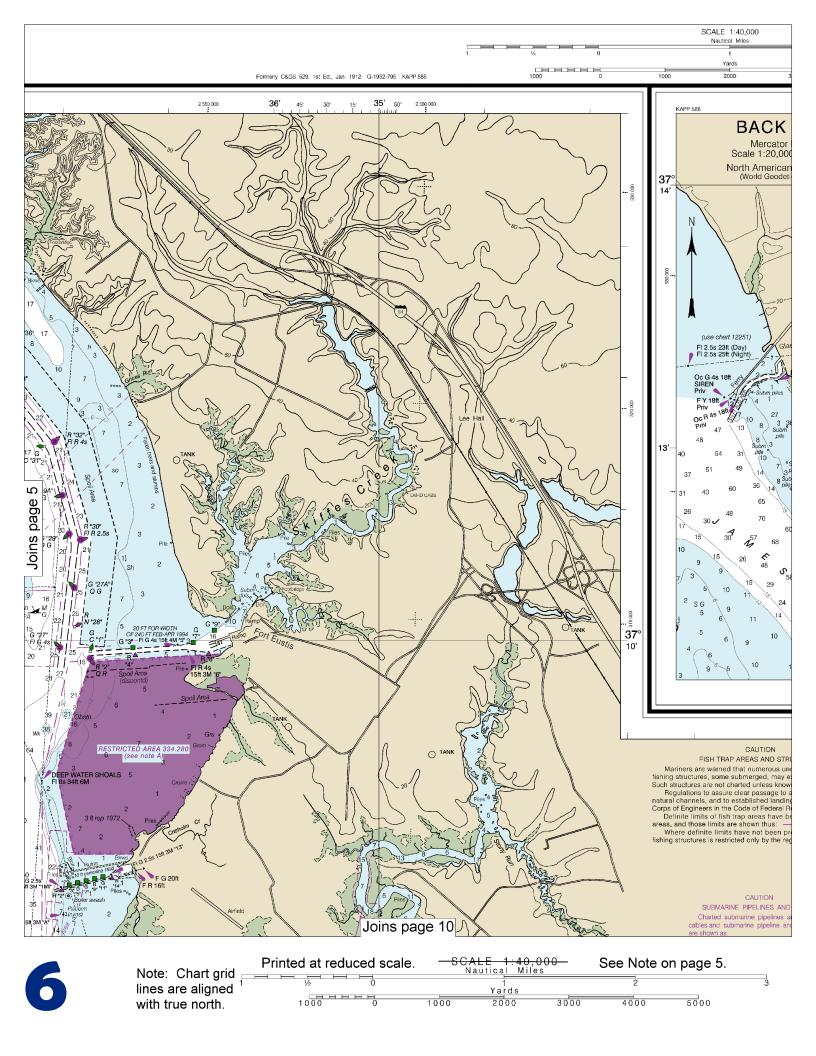
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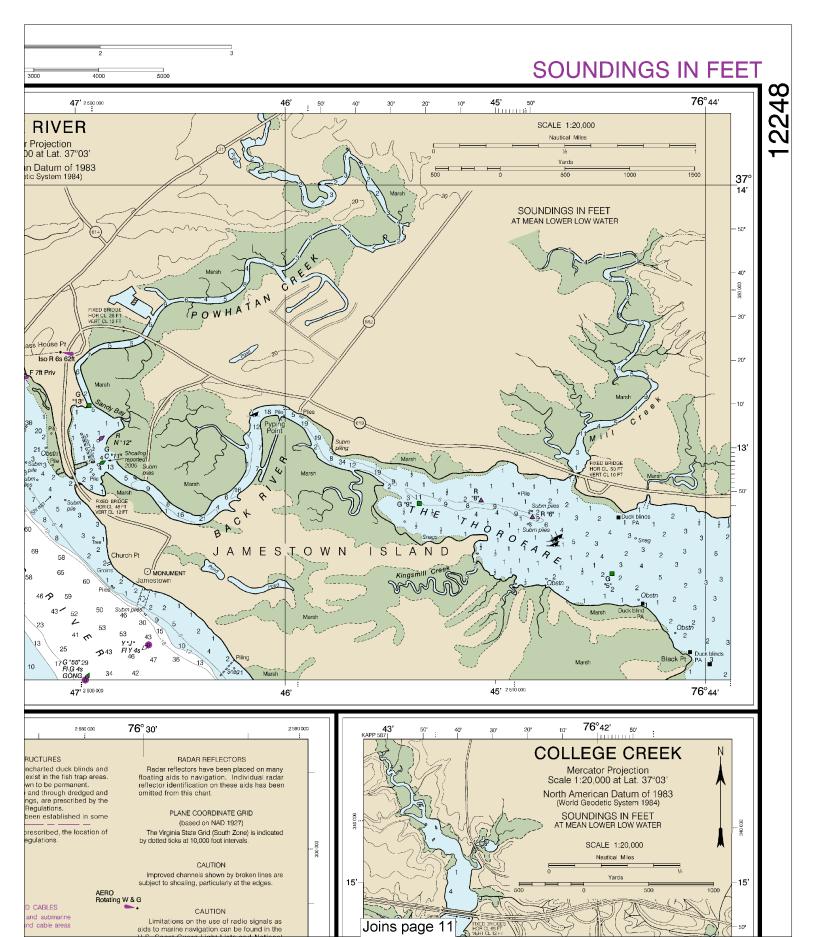
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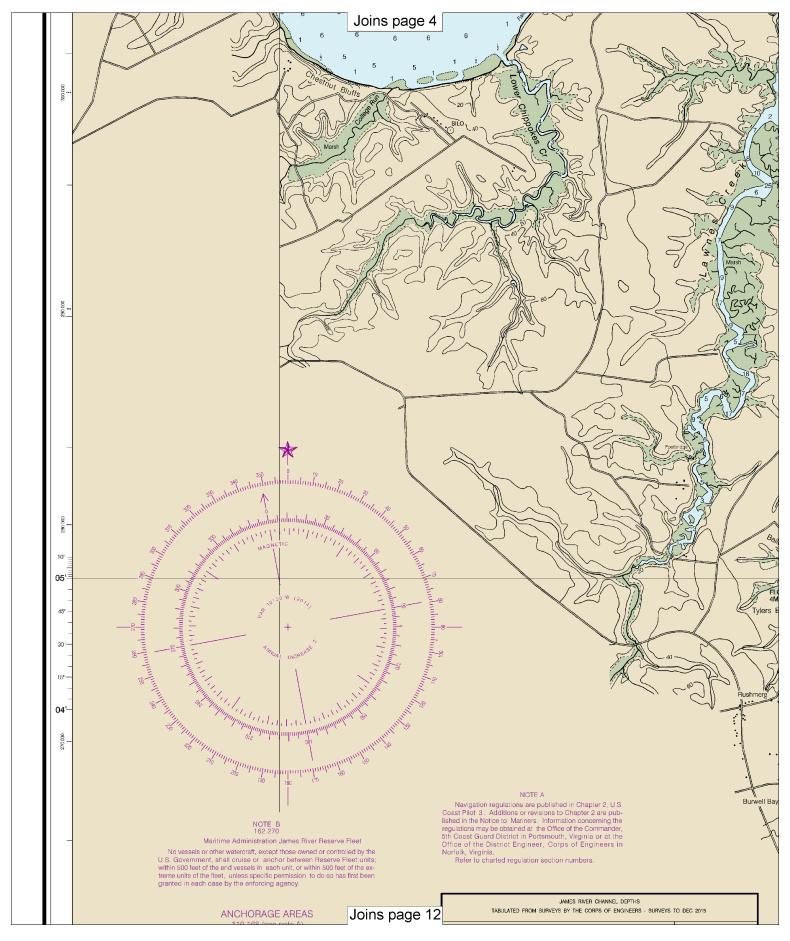














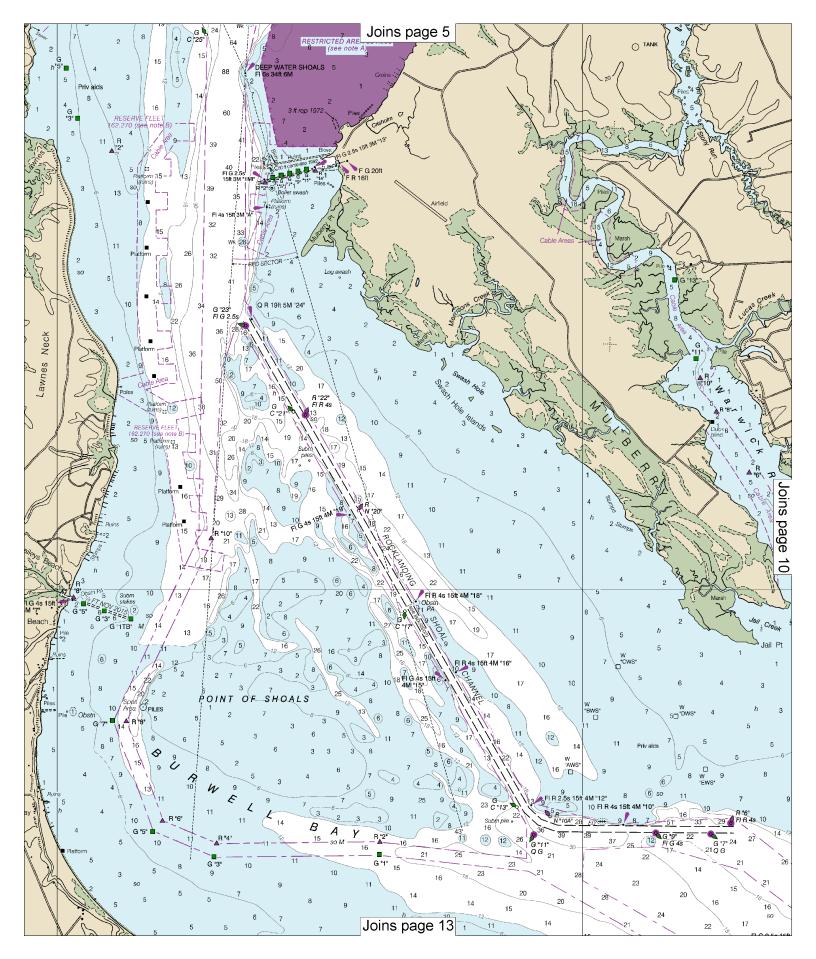
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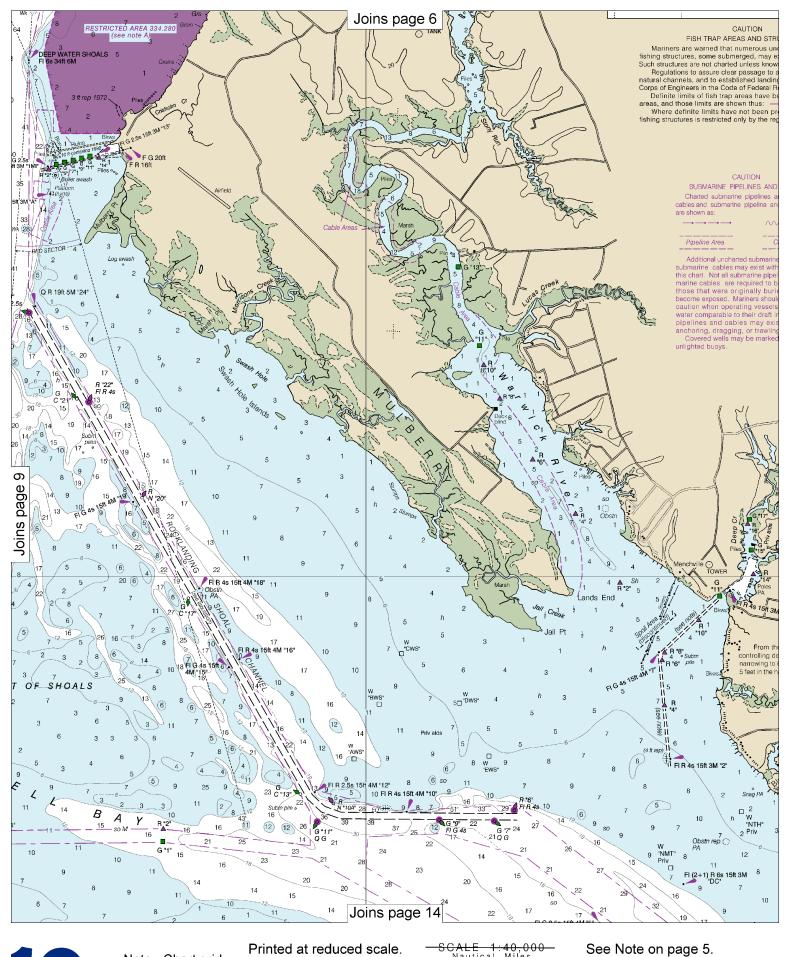
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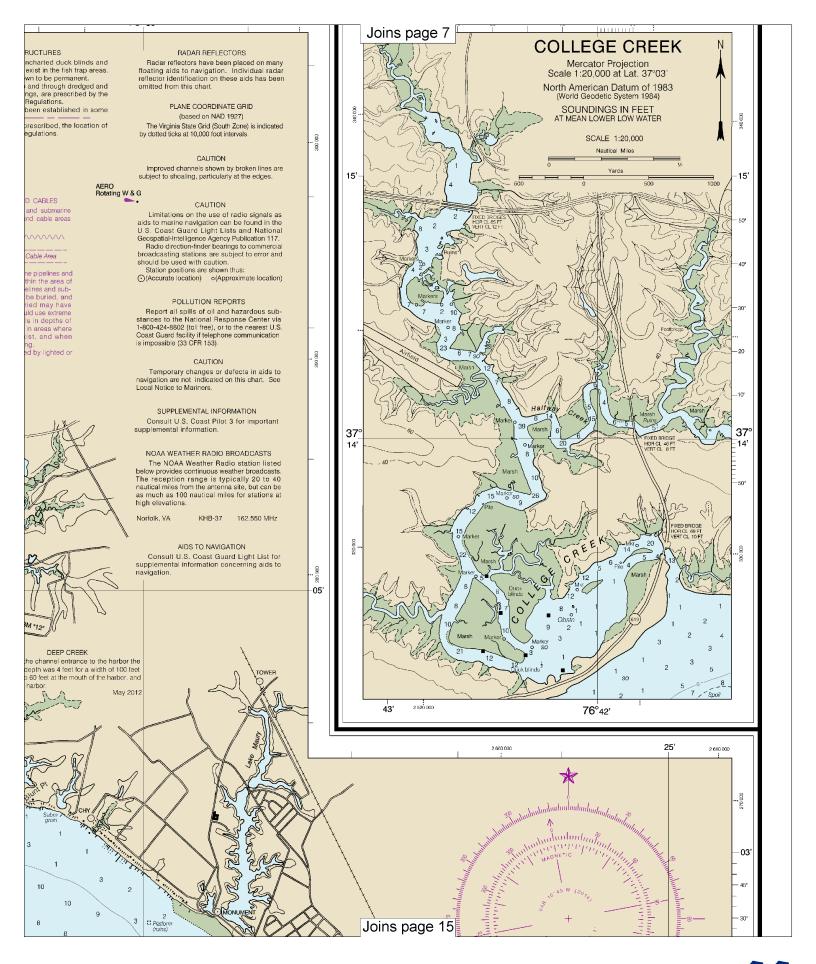


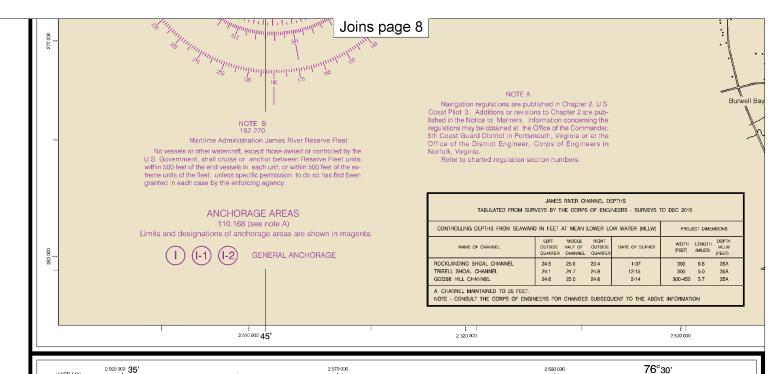
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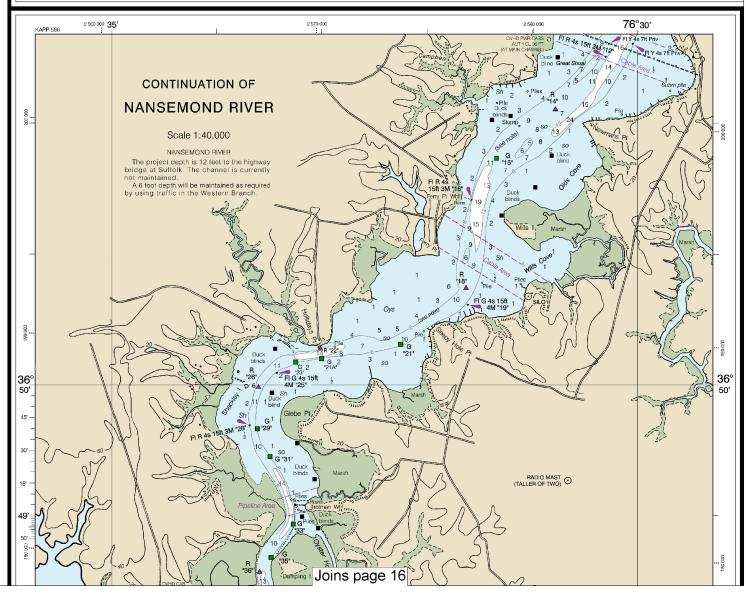
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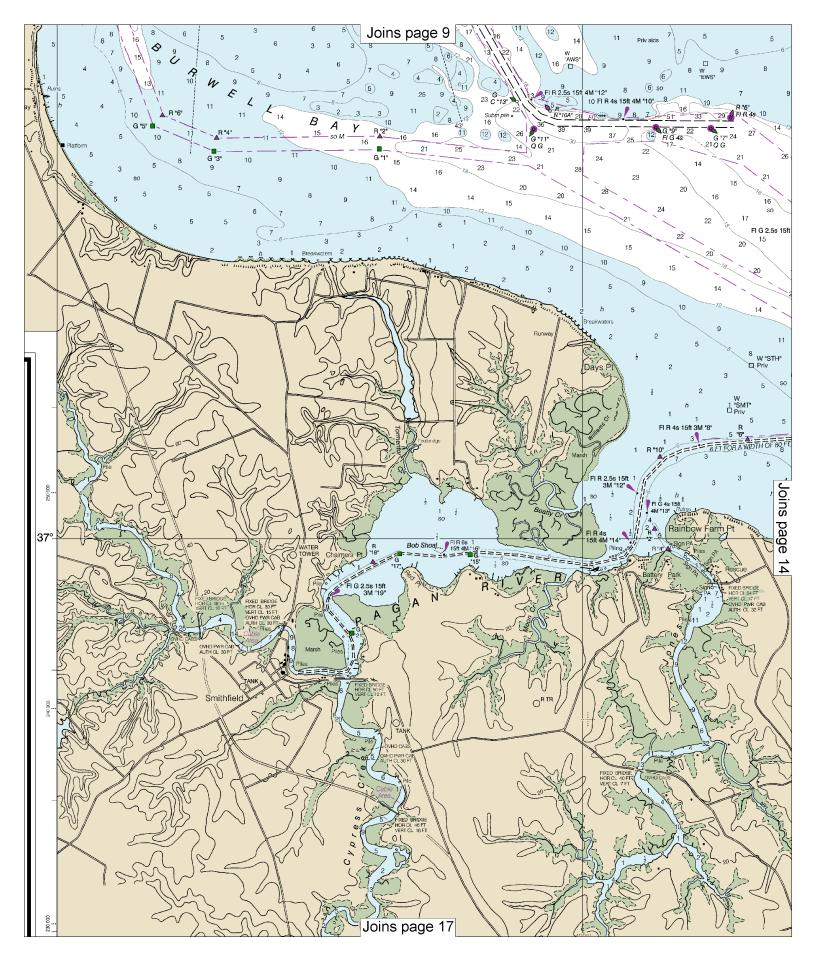
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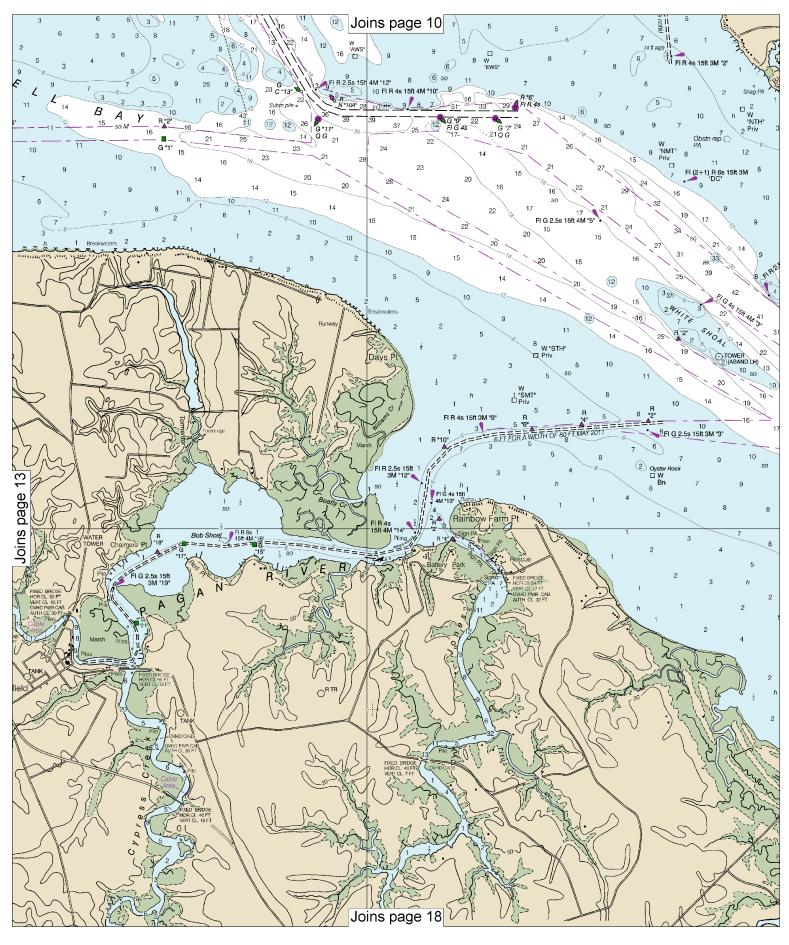
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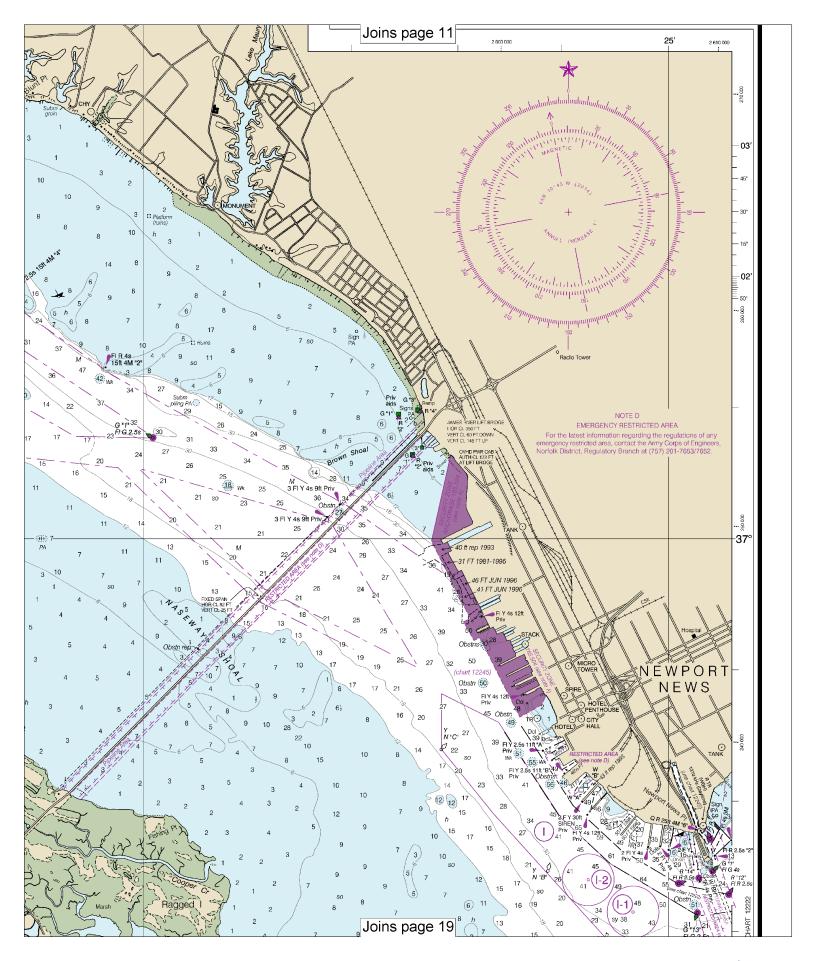
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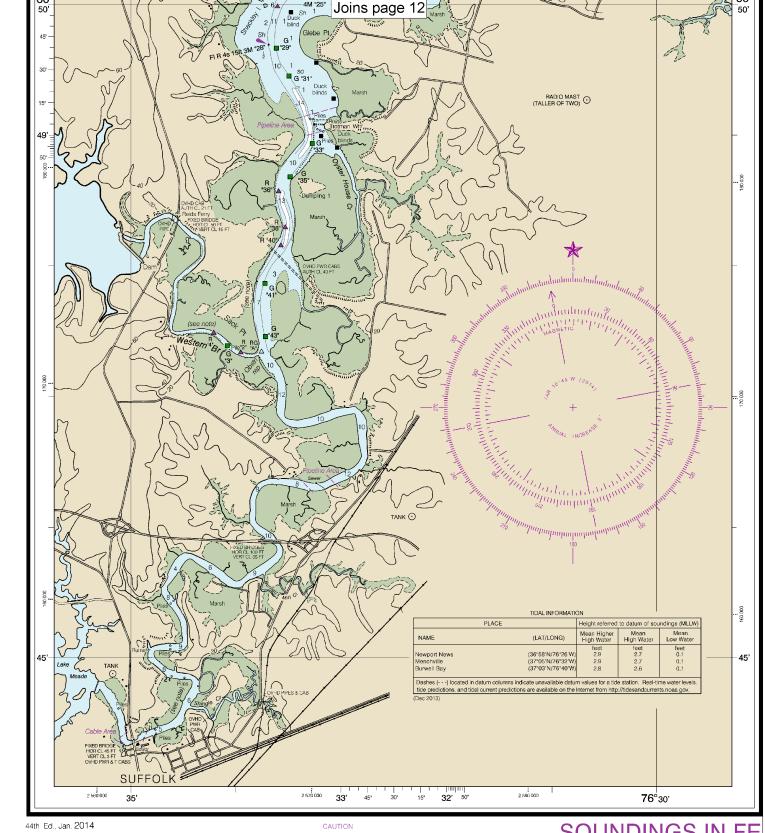
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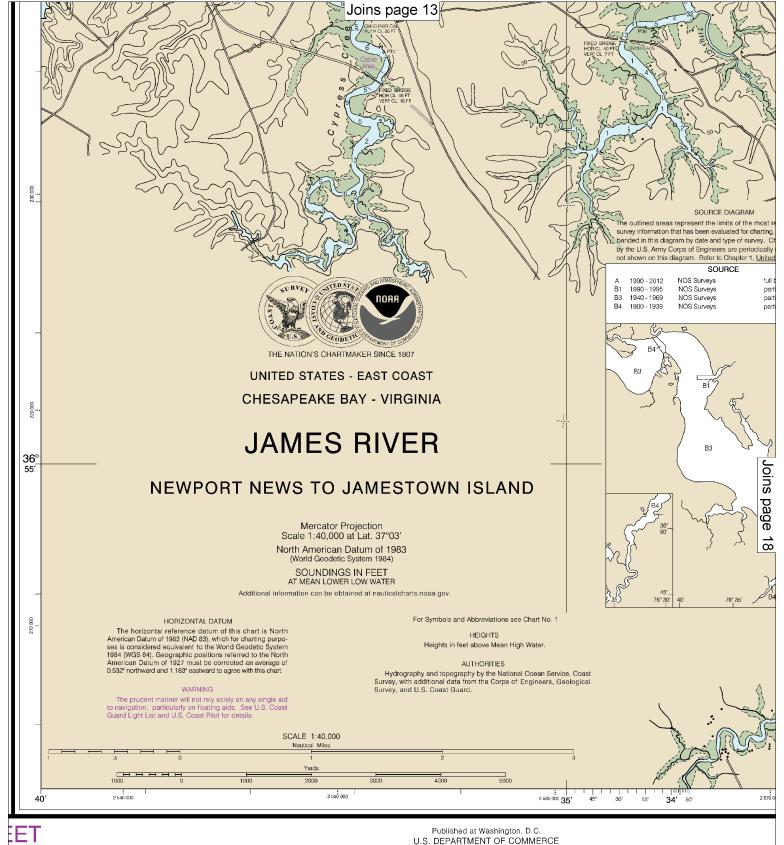
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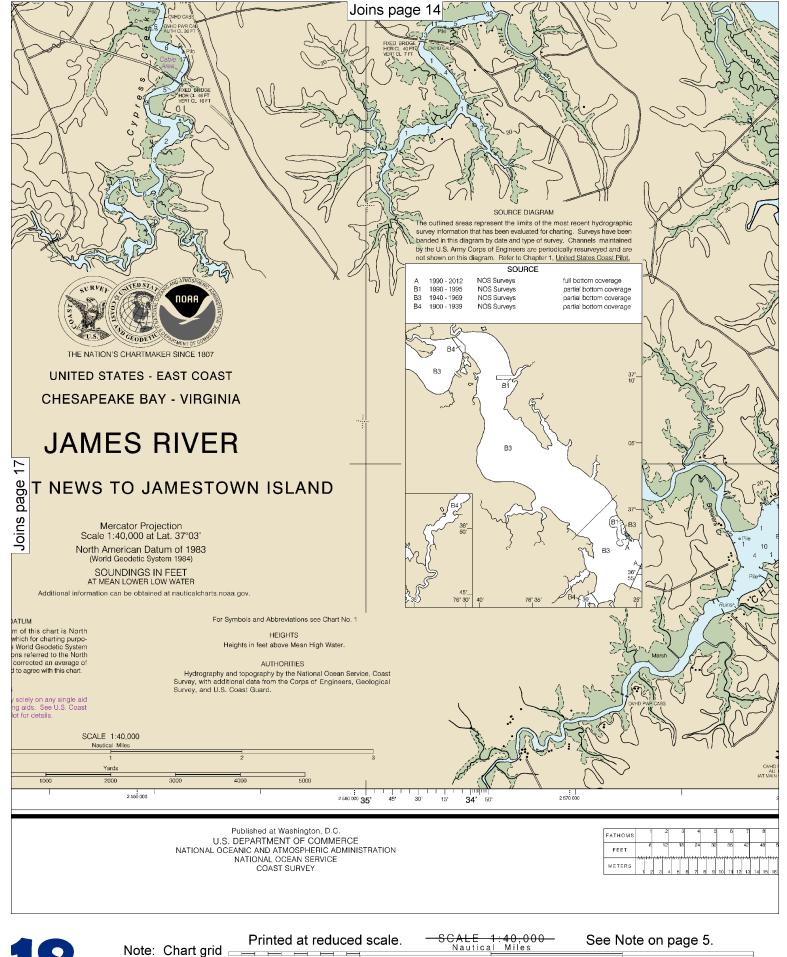
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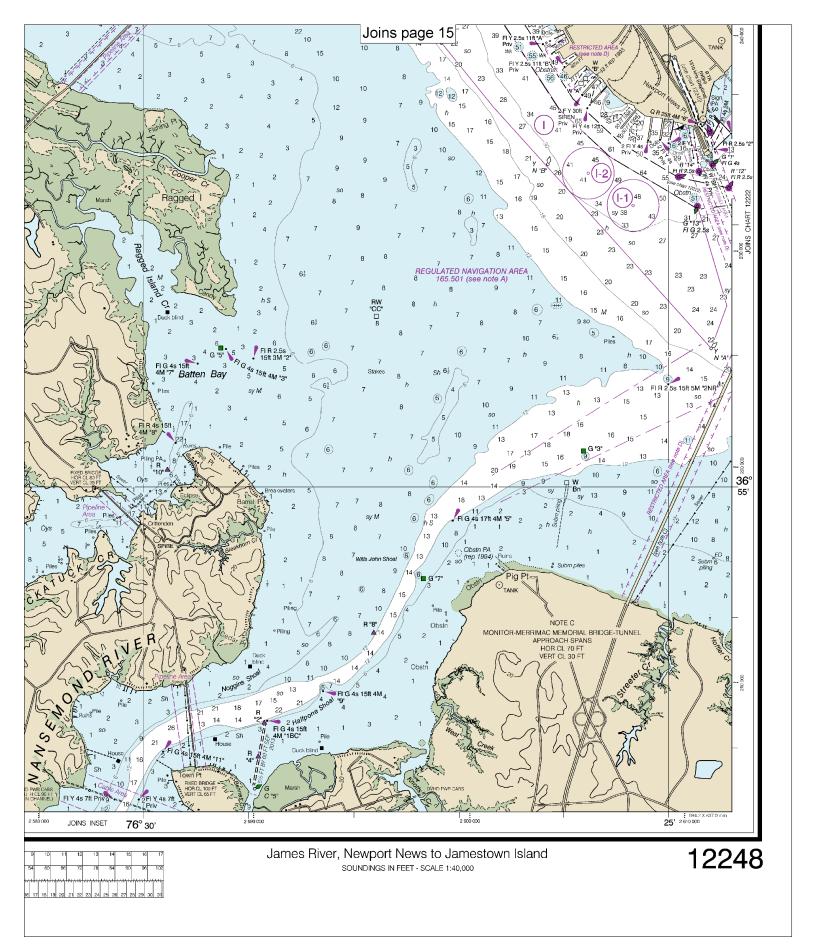


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VHF Marine Radio channels for use on the waterways:

Channel 6 – Inter-ship safety communications.

Channel 9 – Communications between boats and ship-to-coast.

Channel 13 – Navigation purposes at bridges, locks, and harbors.

Channel 16 – Emergency, distress and safety calls to Coast Guard and others, and to initiate calls to other

vessels. Contact the other vessel, agree to another channel, and then switch.

Channel 22A – Calls between the Coast Guard and the public. Severe weather warnings, hazards to navigation and safety warnings are broadcast here. Channels 68, 69, 71, 72 and 78A – Recreational boat channels.

Getting and Giving Help — Signal other boaters using visual distress signals (flares, orange flag, lights, arm signals); whistles; horns; and on your VHF radio. You are required by law to help boaters in trouble. Respond to distress signals, but do not endanger yourself.

Distress Call Procedures

- Make sure radio is on.
- Select Channel 16.
- Press/Hold the transmit button.
- Clearly say: "MAYDAY, MAYDAY, MAYDAY."
- Also give: Vessel Name and/or Description; Position and/or Location; Nature of

Emergency; Number of People on Board.

- · Release transmit button.
- Wait for 10 seconds If no response Repeat MAYDAY call.

HAVE ALL PERSONS PUT ON LIFE JACKETS!



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